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SUBJECT: SCHEDULE FOR NATO REGIONAL EXPERTS WORKING GROUPS AND MED
REPORT MEETINGS-- SPRING 1977

1. NATO INTERNATIONAL STAFF CIRCULATED JANUARY 13 FOLLOWING
PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR THE SPRING 1977 MEETINGS OF THE
REGIONAL EXPERTS GROUPS. PROPOSED DATES ARE EARLIER
THAN USUAL FOR REASONS EXPLAINED IN TEXT OF DOCUMENT.
IS WILL ASSUME PROPOSED DATES ARE ACCEPTABLE UNLESS IT
HEARS OTHERWISE BY JANUARY 25.

2. IS HAS ALSO INFORMED US INFORMALLY THAT MARCH 29 TO
APRIL 1, 1977, APPEAR TO BE BEST DATES FOR NEXT MEETING
OF THE AD HOC GROUP ON THE MEDITERRANEAN.

3. BEGIN TEXT OF POLADS (77)2: PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF
MEETINGS OF THE REGIONAL EXPERT WORKING GROUPS:
THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE IS PROPOSED FOR THE
SPRING 1977 MEETINGS OF THE REGIONAL EXPERT GROUPS:
23RD-25TH FEBRUARY: EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON AFRICA

1ST-3RD MARCH: EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON THE MIDDLE EAST
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AND THE MAGHREB
16TH-18TH MARCH: EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON LATIN AMERICA

22ND-24TH MARCH: EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON EASTERN AND
SOUTHERN ASIA

29TH MARCH-1ST APRIL: EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON THE SOVIET
UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE

2. NO MEETINGS ARE PLANNED BETWEEN 6TH AND 15TH MARCH,

WHICH WILL PROBABLY BE THE BUSIEST PERIOD OF EXERCISE WINTEX.
AS EASTER FALLS ON 10TH APRIL, IT WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT TO
CONVENE THE EXPERTS BETWEEN 3RD AND 17TH APRIL. LASTLY, WITH
THE MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE
ON 10TH MAY, IT WOULD BE MOST INCONVENIENT TO HAVE A MEETING
OF EXPERTS AFTER 18TH APRIL SINCE THERE WOULD HARDLY BE TIME
TO SUBMIT THE REPORT TO THE COUNCIL.

THIS EXPLANIS WHY THE MEETINGS ARE TO BE HELD
EARLIER THAN USUAL THIS YEAR.

3. IF NO CHANGES HAVE BEEN SUGGESTED BY 25TH JANUARY,
THIS SCHEDULE WILL BE CONSIDERED AS APPROVED.
END TEXT.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE ON ACCEPTABILITY OF PRO-
POSED DATES BY JANUARY 25. STRAUSS-HUPE

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